GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Strategic Partnership in Defence Sector
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether various defence projects including construction of submarines, fighter aircraft and warship under 'Make in India' initiative are pending due to absence of strategic partnership;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the total number of projects being run under 'Make in India' initiative and the investment made thereon so far along with the time by which the decision on strategic partnership is likely to be taken;

(c) whether several recommendations of Committee constituted under the chairmanship of Shri V.K. Aatre, Ex-Chief of DRDO have not been implemented in this regard;

(d) if so, the details of the problem being faced in the implementation of recommendations made by Shri Dhirendra Singh and V.K. Aatre Committees; and

(e) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
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(a) to (e): A Committee of Experts headed by Shri Dhirendra Singh had made recommendations to the Government on 'Strategic Partnership Model' for creating capacity in the private sector on a long-term basis. Based on these recommendations, the V.K. Aatre Task Force was constituted to lay down criteria for selection of Strategic Partners for various platforms from the Private Sector. The Task Force has submitted its Report which is under consideration of the Government.
Meanwhile, capital acquisitions are being undertaken as per the extant defence procurement procedures, which are aligned to the Make in India initiative of Government. In the last 2 financial years and the current year, 134 capital procurement proposals have been accorded AoNs, of which 96 cases will involve contracts with Indian vendors.
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